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Docket No.: 1928-0155P

MS PATENT APPLICATION

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is a Request for filing a continuation divisional
 continuation-in-part application under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b) of
pending prior Application No. 10/154,953 filed on May 28, 2002,
which is a divisional of pending prior Application No. 09/679,548
filed on October 6, 2000, the entire contents of which are hereby
incorporated by reference,
by

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1. Enclosed is an application consisting of specification, claims, and drawings/photographs (if applicable).

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2. The filing fee has been calculated as follows:

		LARGE ENTITY		SMALL ENTITY	
BASIC FEE		\$770.00		\$385.00	
NUMBER FILED		NUMBER EXTRA		RATE	FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS	11-20 =	0		x 86 =	\$0.00
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	3-3 =	0		x 86 =	\$0.00
<input type="checkbox"/> MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS PRESENTED				+ \$290.00	+ \$145.00
		TOTAL	\$770.00		\$0.00

3. A check in the amount of \$770.00 to cover the filing fee and recording fee (if applicable) is enclosed.

4. Please charge Deposit Account No. 02-2448 in the amount of \$0.00. A triplicate copy of this request is enclosed.

5. Enclosed is/are two (2) sheet(s) of formal drawings and/or photographs.

6a. A statement claiming small entity status was filed in prior Application No. on _____. See the attached copy of the statement claiming small entity status.

6b. The current application qualifies for small entity status.

7. The prior application is assigned to Johnson Electric S.A.

8. A Preliminary Amendment is enclosed.

9a. Priority of Application No. 9923857.8 filed in Great Britain on October 9, 1999 is claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119. See attached copy of the Letter claiming priority filed in the prior application on November 21, 2000.

9b. Priority of International Appln. _____ filed on _____ under the Patent Cooperation Treaty and _____ Application No. _____ filed in _____ on _____ under 35 U.S.C. § 120 and/or § 119 are hereby reclaimed.

10. An Information Disclosure Statement and PTO-1449 form(s) are attached hereto for the Examiner's consideration.

11. Address all future communications to:

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12. An extension of time for _____ () month(s) until _____ has been submitted in parent Application No. in order to establish co-pendency with the present application.

13. Also enclosed herewith is the following:

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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